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SLAVERY ALLEGATIONS.

Serious Events in Abyssinia.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 9.

Sensational allegations of slave traffic are contained in a letter to the Times from Major Henry Darley, former frontier agent in South-West Abyssinia. He declares that an area in South Abyssinia three hundred miles square has been depopulated and devastated by slave raiding. A million people have been killed or carried into bondage through Tadjura Bay and elsewhere since Menelik's death, when each Governor seized and sold the negro population of his district. The depopulated area extends from Jijeh, in Abyssinia, to Toposa, in the Sudan, which is 110 miles over the British frontier. The Governors are now scarcely able to find money to pay taxes to Addis Ababa, and have again turned their eyes southward to British territory. They have already raided Kenya, and it is only a question of time before raids on a larger scale and more skilfully organised will be made, not only in Kenya but also in other territories bordering on Abyssinia.

Combined diplomatic representations hitherto have invariably resulted in the issue of notices forbidding slavery or slave raiding, which are a source of amusement in the market places. Major Darley concludes by stating that while the League of Nations is getting ready to take steps, a race is dying.

TOO MANY RAILWAY UNIONS.

Mr. Thomas' Straight Talk to Workers.

London, April 9.

Mr. J. H. Thomas warmly rebuked the extremists when addressing a mass meeting of railwaymen in London. He stated that Labour's weakness was a superfluity of Unions and insufficiency of unity. He pointed out that twenty-eight Unions were involved in the shopmen's dispute. He condemned some thereof, who refused the employers' suggestion of arbitration, and declared that a strike must be the last and not the first resort. He recommended that the dispute be referred to the Wages Board.

THE LIQUOR WAR.

Battle for Huge Whisky Stocks.

New York, April 9.

Prohibition agents have seized two million dollars worth of whisky in two raids at Manhattan, Jersey City, which is the largest seizure hitherto. The latter raid resulted in a pitched battle with the smugglers, who made an attempt to recapture the liquor and were repulsed. The prohibitionists broke in the doors of vaults and removed the huge stocks, in a fleet of motor lorries guarded by armed men, to the place of destruction.

PRINCESS YOLANDA'S MARRIAGE.

Rome, April 9.

Princess Yolanda and Count Calvi di Bergolo were married at the Quirinal. The marriage took place in the throne room, and was attended by Their Majesties and other Royalties, Members of the Cabinet, Signor Mussolini, and other Ministers belonging to the Fascist. The National Militia wore the uniform of that organisation. The glittering procession afterwards proceeded to the Pauline Chapel for the religious ceremony. Princess Yolanda is the first Italian Princess to be married in this chapel since the loss of the Pope's temporal power. The bridal pair and their Majesties subsequently appeared on the balcony of the Palace and were ovated by an enormous crowd.

MORE OF THE MEMEL TROUBLE.

London, April 9.

According to telegrams from Memel, received in London, the troubles cable earlier broke out with troops dispersing a demonstration of twenty thousand Germans in the streets, on Saturday, against the heavy taxation and customs duties. There was intermittent rifle fire throughout Saturday night, resulting in several casualties. The German-Lithuanian Home League has been suppressed and its president arrested. All shops have been closed. In the meantime an Allied committee in Paris is considering details of the status of Memel, the principle of which was recently settled by the Conference of Ambassadors.

HIGHER WAGES FOR STEEL WORKERS.

Pittsburg, April 9.

The Carnegie Steel Company has increased the common labourers wages by eleven per cent. Similar advances have been made at some of the United States Steel Corporation's subsidiary works, accompanied by the promise of an adjustment of the wages of other classes of labour. A hundred and fifty thousand employees will be affected if all the latter's subsidiary concerns, fall in line. Some of the independent mills have indicated their preparedness to meet the increase.

THE HOME BUILDERS' WAGE DISPUTE.

London, April 10.

Little practical result has emerged from the day-long discussions by building operatives, who have decided to maintain the Disputes Committee in session throughout the week, being ready to negotiate if necessary. They also re-affirmed their willingness to submit the interpretation of the previous wages agreement to legal adjudicators. The Scottish employers have adhered to the national policy and decided to post notices of reduction of wages and increased hours for builders.

GERMAN CATCHES AT ABERDEEN.

RECRUITMENT OF CONSTABLES.

Lively Debate in Parliament.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 9.

The House of Commons witnessed a lively debate on the Special Constables Bill, providing for a continuance of the recruiting and maintenance of the force. The Act under which "Specials" were enrolled in war-time expired at the end of last year, and the force will disappear altogether unless special provision be made. Comdr. Bridgeman, explaining the Bill, pointed out that the only alternative to the "Specials" of emergency was calling out the military, which was undesirable. The Labourites evinced strong objection to the Bill on the ground that the force might be used for strike-breaking and blacklegging. Mr. Hayes, a former policeman, and the victor at Edgely, dwelt on the incompetence of the "Specials." Comdr. Bridgeman declared the Bill was not anti-Labour, but anti-disorder. The motion for a second reading was adopted by 213 to 122.

DISORDERS IN MOSCOW.

Soviet Mockery of Easter Festivities.

Riga, April 9.

A message from Moscow states that in consequence of attacks against the Church and mockery of Easter festivities, disorders occurred, which the Red Army put down. Three of the Reds were shot dead.

BRITISH LEAD IN SHIPBUILDING.

London, April 9.

Lloyds shipbuilding returns show that 1,492,000 tons were under construction in the United Kingdom on March 31st, an increase of 23,000 tons compared with December 31st. This is the first increase since March, 1921. The total for other countries was 1,367,000, or 50,000 less than on December 31. Germany and Danzig head the foreign countries with 343,000, followed by France with 209,000, Italy 185,000, United States 173,000, Holland 121,000 and Japan 83,000.

The haulings for the past quarter total 442,000 tons, including Britain 228,000, Germany 70,000 and the United States 53,000.

ANGLESEY BY-ELECTION.

London, April 9.

Agricultural depression was the chief issue at the by-election at Anglesey, due to the death of the Independent, Brig-General Sir Owen Thomas. The result was—

Sir R. J. Thomas (Liberal) ... 11,116.
Mr. E. T. John (Labour) ... 6,368.
Mr. R. O. Roberts (Conservative) ... 3,385.
Sir R. J. Thomas contested Anglesey as a National Liberal at the General Election, but was supported by the united Liberals in the by-election.

REORGANISATION OF THE SOVIET.

London, April 9.

A message from Riga states that owing to the condition of Lenin, a reorganisation of the entire system of Government has been decided on at Moscow. A special council of forty will be substituted for the people's commissaries, and will constitute the supreme authority. The position at Moscow is very tense, and the most drastic measures are being taken to preserve order.

EVENTS IN THE RUHR.

Berlin, April 9.

Zechlin has been released, and expelled. The president of the railway administration at Treves has telegraphed to President Ebert stating that 106 families of railwaymen have been expelled from their homes by coloured troops, and a further six hundred families are to be evicted within a few days. Herr Ebert has forwarded ten million marks to assist the victims.

AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT OF ANATOLIA.

Constantinople, April 9.

The National Assembly has discussed the law accepting contracts with representatives of the American Development Company for railways and ports in Anatolia, also the stipulation as regards the mines twenty kilometres on either side of the railways. The majority favoured the scheme, voting on which was adjourned.

MR. BONAR LAW BACK AT WORK.

London, April 9.

Mr. Bonar Law made an early appearance at the reopening of the House of Commons, and was universally cheered when he rose to speak. It was noticed that his throat affection was still troublesome. His voice was almost inaudible.

IMPERIAL ECONOMICS.

London, April 9.

In the House of Commons, the Rt. Hon. S. Baldwin announced that the Imperial and Imperial Economic Conferences would open on October 1st.

OFFICERS MURDERED IN NORTH INDIA.

Simla, April 9.

Majors Orr and Anderson, of the Seaforth Highlanders, walking near Landikotal, were fired upon and killed. Their murderers escaped.

AEROPLANE ENGINE'S RUNNING RECORD.

New York, April 9.

A Wright T4 aeroplane engine has completed a record-breaking test at Washington, running 575 hours without stopping.

MARKET VALUE.

Popular Theory Debated.

MR. BIRD'S VIEWS ON PROPERTY DEALS.

The popular theory that an article is worth what the public will give for it cannot always be taken as an established fact. A considerable time was spent in debating this point in the Supreme Court this morning, and the argument was the more interesting as it threw some light on the local property market.

The debate arose during the course of Mr. H. W. Bird's evidence with regard to the value of Nos. 31 and 33, Gilman's Bazaar. This property was sold by a man named Au Man-kit, the managing partner of the Yue Tak firm, for the sum of \$34,000. Another partner in the firm, Wong On Shing-kong, who is alleged to have retired in 1921, has brought an action against the Yue Tak firm and Au Man-kit, and he contends that the amount for which the property was sold, \$34,000, was a gross undervalue. His submission is that it was worth at least \$55,000.

Mr. Bird valued the property in round figures at \$30,000. He estimated the net rental at \$2,500, which on \$31,500 would give a return of 8 per cent. The land he valued at \$20 a square foot. He considered the price of \$34,000 to be quite a fair one.

Mr. Eldon Potter (appearing for the plaintiff in the action) submitted that the property was really worth more than that figure.

Mr. Bird would not accept that. He admitted that properties were changing hands at a treble and quadruple their ordinary value, but people paid these prices because they wanted somewhere to take their families, and they did not care what investment they obtained on their money. It was not a business transaction.

"The architect's value doesn't mean that the property will not fetch more if sold in the open market, but if the buyer pays more than the valuation it is not a business transaction," was Mr. Bird's view; "that is, if he purchases at such a price to bring him in, say, four or five per cent. on Chinese property."

It was stated that one of the houses in Gilman's Bazaar changed hands at \$26,000. This property Mr. Bird valued at \$15,000.

Mr. Potter—Supposing merchants are anxious to buy houses in this street by reason of the business carried on there, wouldn't that explain the position? "That might be," Mr. Bird replied. "You would call that a sentimental value," he added.

Mr. Potter—You might call it a "scarcity" value. Wouldn't that be better than "sentimental" value?—Possibly.

Mr. Potter said his definition of value was what a purchaser was prepared to pay for the property.

Mr. Bird did not agree to this definition. "Supposing a Chinese and I go to an auction," he said, "I want eight per cent.; the Chinese is content with two per cent. He will give three times more than I am prepared to pay. Is that the market value?"

Mr. Potter—Yes.

The Chief Justice disagreed with Mr. Potter. His Honour gave it as his opinion that if a man had a particular interest in acquiring a particular property he would pay a fancy price. For the purpose of the case in dispute, the point was whether the property was sold at a reasonable price.

Mr. Potter's point was what price would the property have fetched if put up in the open market. It might as well be said that the value of an old master was the value of the canvas and paint, but that was not so; it had a "scarcity" value.

His Honour—You cannot say that an investment which will bring in only two per cent. is a market value.

BLUE FUNNEL PAY.

Union Delegate Meets British Consul.

OWNERS' VIEW UPHOLD.

The representative who came to Canton to interview the British Consul-General in regard to the reduction in the wages of Blue Funnel Line seamen returned to Hongkong this morning, and in conversation with a Telegraph reporter, said that the interview did not result in anything other than a repetition of the view of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire—that the men who took up work on the Ballerophon were not members of the Union, and, consequently, the question of a breach of the strike agreement being involved in this reduction could not be entertained. The agreement, it was pointed out by the Consul-General, was with representatives of the Seamen's Union. These latter could not claim that the new crews were members of their Union, so any dealings with those who do not come under this status did not concern the Union.

The Union's representative, in turn, advanced the argument that when the strike was settled, those who signed on behalf of the strikers did so in the name of the seafaring men of China. He claimed, in reply to a question by the Consul, that at the time of the strike, the Hongkong Union was in close affiliation and acting in concert with similar organisations in Shanghai. "The question was not one of a few seamen," he thought fit to go back on, "but agreement in their own interests without consulting the Union, but one in which the whole seafaring profession was involved."

No decision satisfactory to the Union's representative was reached, and he returned to Hongkong this morning. Present during the interview was Mr. Luk King-fu, who was one of the signatories to the agreement. Mr. Luk, according to the Union's representative, had no helpful advice to offer, other than undertaking to bring the Consul-General and the representative together, which he did.

Another official informed our representative that the report of the delegate had been considered by the Union, which now intended waiting before further action, to see whether either the Secretary for Chinese Affairs or Messrs. Butterfield and Swire approached them on the subject.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY.

Dividend Announcement.

At the forthcoming annual meeting of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., to be held on 21st April, the Board of Directors will recommend that the balance available for distribution be disposed of as follows:—
To pay a dividend of \$1.50 per share on 240,000 shares ... \$360,000.00
To pay a dividend of \$1 per share on 59,683 shares (1922 issue) ... 59,683.00
To place to Reserve ... 300,000.00
To carry forward to next account ... 130,179.81
\$349,862.81

you had the good fortune," he said, "to own 100 Bank shares, now standing at a higher price than for many years. You may or may not think they are good value for money. Do you mean to say that if you consider they are poor value, and you think you ought to get out, that \$1,045 is not a fair price?"

Mr. Bird contended that the two cases could not be compared. He did not agree that the price paid for the property was a market value.

WHO WANTS \$100?

At Gymkhana meetings, a return of \$20 on a \$5 ticket in the pari-mutuel is considered extremely good.

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Of course, the more coupons you send in, the better will be your chance of getting the \$100. No entrance fee.

CHINA'S PARLIAMENT.

A Free Fight.

Peking, April 9.—In the House of Representatives this afternoon the question of a vote of confidence in the Government led to a heated discussion and finally to a free fight. The House broke up without coming to a decision. The Senate also discussed the want of confidence vote. The investigation Committee reported that such a vote was illegal, and the Government's opponents instead being in an impasse. The Senate also broke up without voting thereon.—Reuter.

Member Rescued Unconscious.

Peking, April 9.—In free fight a Kiangsu Chang Tze-wai, was on the head with a inkstand and seriously injured. He was carried out unconscious. The Speaker ordered an assault to be arrested.—Reuter.

DR. SUN WANTED UP NORTH.

Asked to Dissolve Canton Government.

Peking, April 9.—The Government has wired to Dr. Sun Yat-sen asking him to dissolve the Administration in Canton and come North to discuss matters.—Reuter.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The concert to have been by Miss May Munkle postponed until a date to be fixed later.—Page 4.

The 21st annual anniversary of the Colony will be the 21st inst.—Page 4.

For particulars of forthcoming auction sales refer to Page 4. Consignees are notified of arrival of the m/s. "Chile".—Page 4.

Nash's 5 seater touring cars are on sale in Hongkong.—Page 4.

Ice cream may be obtained in brick form from the Dairy Farm Co.—Page 7.

LISTEN.

Stores could not exist as they do to-day without advertising.

Attention is drawn to the Hongkong Hotel Garage repair service.—Page 7.

Young lady seeks position as stenotypist.—Page 4.

The s.s. "Venetia" has arrived; consignees are given usual notice.—Page 4.

Dodwell & Co. are the agents for Underwood's writers.—Page 2.

The current affairs Star Theatre in Heats.—Page 4.

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SHANGHAI SPRING

MEETING.

Champions Prospects.

The N. C. D. News of April 4th

says:

There has been much lamenting

lately about the deterioration in

the class of racing pony in recent

years, and not without cause. So

it was that at the China New Year

Meeting at Kiangwan, when racing

men saw the superb Glenfield, the

picture of what a racing pony

should be, and then were treated

to the experience of the terrific

rush of Danesfield; his stable com-

panion, it was the general remark

that the Spring Champions was

all over, for nothing could possibly

touch either of them. Opinion

must have changed somewhat since

them, in the light of happenings

at Kiangwan this last week-end.

Quite likely Glenfield, or Danes-

field will win, but it seems certain

that the record will have to be

cut very considerably.

Of old and tried ponies of the

class, Nationalist, Shenkand or

Salvation, and Thomas a Becket

are almost certain to qualify, one

or two of the Dahlias should be in

if they are sent up and also Sym-

phony if he comes down again.

They will make the nucleus of a

fine field, but the real opposition

should come from Mr. Johnstone's

nominations. The qualifications of

Christmas Gift were well known

before, but there has seldom been

a pony who could run in such con-

vincing fashion from half a mile up

to the Champions distance. On

Saturday he went out for five fur-

longs and there were some unhappy

faces when, quite near the post, it

seemed impossible for him to

get through. Yet he came round

the field like a streak of lightning

and romped away from the speedy

Blue Diamond. On Monday he was

saddled for an additional furlong,

and came in behind Hakone, with

the difference that the latter, not

having to be reckoned with for

Shanghai, went all out, whereas

Christmas Gift did not seem to be

pressed to his limits, and there was

no reason why he should be, whilst

in any case he beat the rest—a

very smart lot—with ease. All

this was on top of his runaway

victory of a week before over a

mile and three furlongs in the use-

ful time of 2 min. 35 sec. The

outstanding fact is that the pony

does not ever seem to be distressed

or require to be forced home.

Then there is the magnificent

Social Union. The impressive grey

has in his time been very disap-

pointing, but that he is a first class

pony is beyond all question. When

he lowered the Kiangwan record,

there were unofficial timekeepers

who insisted that he broke the 11

mile record also, though the official

timing did not agree, and the con-

tention probably was not correct

for it would have meant that his

finish was extraordinarily slow.

However, he covered the Cham-

pions distance in average winning

time. At the moment there is

nothing to approach him over the

obstacles. On Saturday he was

sent over 11 miles and was beaten

a short head, but again it was a

case of Social Union finishing as

fresh as when he started, whereas

Bright Polly was forced all down

the straight and Maresfield and

the other were out of it. On

Monday he went for a mile and

five furlongs and won as he pleased,

without the slightest effort. Some

say he cannot sprint in a finish,

but it has not been shown that he

needs to, for his ordinary smooth

stride seems to keep him on terms

with the hardest worker. Handled

as superbly and carefully as he is

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Interesting

Champion Doubles.

A big crowd saw some good

tennis in the match in the Open

Championship Doubles between

M. F. Le and Thomas Lay against

O. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn

on the Hongkong Cricket Club

ground yesterday afternoon.

Owing to the late start it was

impossible to finish the match and

when falling light brought the

play to a finish, each pair claimed

two sets. The final set will be

played on the stand court this

afternoon.

R. H. Wild and J. D. Hum-

phreys defeated S. E. and D. S.

Green in the Open Championship

Doubles by three sets to one. The

Greens could do nothing in the

first set, both father and son play-

ing indifferently, but they improved

a lot as the match progressed and

made their opponents go all out to

win. S. E. Green showed good

form, but D. S. was very unsteady

at times. Wild and Humphreys

combined well and on their play

fully deserved to get into the next

round.

Results

Yesterday's results were as un-

der:

Open Championship Doubles:

R. H. Wild and J. D. Humphreys

beat S. E. Green and D. S. Green,

6-0, 7-5, 8-6, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "A": W. B.

Cornaby (+ 15.3), beat R. M.

Henderson (+ 5/6), 7-9, 6-3, 10-8.

Handicap Singles "B": C. G.

Perdue (+ 1/6), beat G. Dawharn

(+ 4/6), 6-0, 2-6, 6-2; W. G.

Kinneer (+ 3/6), beat C. M. Wil-

son (+ 5/6), 6-2, 2-6, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles: A. R.

Sutherland and W. L. Thomas

(+ 5/6) beat R. M. Smith and C. C.

Stark (+ 5/6), 7-5, 4-6, 11-9; E. P.

Harrison and M. G. Edwards

(+ 2/6) beat E. R. S. Dods and

A. B. Raworth (+ 15.1), 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

CHINESE CHAMBER.

New Officers Elected.

The annual general meeting of

the Chinese General Chamber of

Commerce took place yesterday

afternoon at which, in conformity

with custom, the retiring Chair-

man, Mr. Li Po-kwai, formally

tendered his resignation. On the

proposal of Mr. Ho Kwong, Mr. Li

Po-kwai was elected Chairman of

the meeting.

The statement of accounts for the

past year having been passed the

election of office bearers for the

current year took place by vote

with the following result: Mr. Li

Po-kwai, Chairman; Mr. Ho Kwong,

Vice-Chairman; Li Wing-Kwong,

Treasurer and Mr. Chau Uting

Vice-Treasurer.

Messrs. M. K. Lo and T. N.

Chau were respectively elected

legal adviser and executive secret-

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE IRISH FREE STATE.

Dublin, April 9.
Captured documents published in Dublin show that at a meeting of the Irregular Executive held on March 23, a motion made by Deputy Chief of Staff Barry and seconded by the Commander of the Irregular First Southern Division, that further resistance to the Free State Government would not further the cause of independence was defeated by only one vote, the voting being 5 to 6.
Documents giving further evidence of the straits to which the Irregulars are reduced are contained in the report of a meeting of the Irregulars' First Southern Division, in which their Commander endorses the opinion of brigade commanders that a summer campaign is impossible. He says: The Division has been fought to a standstill and fastened out. In three Cork brigades twenty-nine have been killed and roughly thirteen posts captured and six seriously attacked. If five men are arrested in each area we are finished. The men are suffering great privations and their morale is going, while the enemy is in a very strong position with several battalions on the Curragh.

REPUTED OIL DISCOVERY.

Melbourne, April 9.
A Government expert has investigated the oil discovery at Williamstown reported on the 6th, and declares that there is no evidence of oil from below ground, and the geological conditions are unfavourable.

PEKING FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

**Dr. Wellington Koo
Appointed Minister.**

Peking, April 9.
The Government at Peking has forwarded a despatch to Parliament stating that owing to the urgency and importance of foreign affairs, they have appointed Dr. Koo as Acting Foreign Minister without waiting for Parliamentary ratification but the Government hopes that Parliament will speedily ratify his appointment. It is expected that Dr. Koo will assume his duties to-morrow.

A delegation from Szechuen arrived to-day to urge the appointment of Yang Sen as Military Governor of Szechuen.—*Reuter.*

SUNAGRI FLOOD.

Terrible Disaster in the North.

Shanghai, April 9.
The Evening News (Shanghai) publishes a message from Harbin stating that over three thousand were drowned on the 7th inst. and thousands rendered homeless as a result of the flooded Sungari River bursting the Hsinking dyke near Fuchien. A score of villages are reported to have been carried away.—*Reuter.*

THE 21 DEMANDS.

Second Note to Japan.

Peking, April 8.—The second Note to Japan, which was recently drawn up, was sent to Huang Fu, who remains in the Western Hills.
Well-informed Chinese state that both Huang Fu and the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs do not desire any responsibility for sending the Note to Japan, and it is now considered likely that the Note will not be sent till the Foreign Minister assumes his duties.—*Daily Bulletin.*

CHINA'S FINANCES.

Peking, April 8.—The Cabinet have instructed the Ministries to draw up a statement of all loan agreements since June, 1917, within 10 days.
It is again reported that Liu En-yuan has decided to resign, and it is suggested that Huang Fu may be offered the post of Minister of Finance.—*Daily Bulletin.*

GENERAL NEWS.

THE NEW CONFETTI.
A quantity of 100 mark German notes were distributed, after the fashion of a shower of confetti, at a Middlesbrough carnival of bank employees.

PARIS EDITOR CANED.
Paris.—When Pierre de Jumihae, former aviation captain, thought he had been libelled by an article in a Paris weekly, he didn't take his grievance into court. Instead, he ambushed Georges Anquetil, the offending editor, in a park, and beat him so severely with a cane that he had to be taken to a hospital.

WHEN STONE FAILS TO STAND.

The Passing of the Architect.

If Wren—whom good Londoners have been remembering—could be reincarnated in this year of grace, would he, I wonder, turn again to brick and stone for a fitting expression of his artistry?
The answer, in my humble opinion, is No: because brick and stone are not what they were in the days when he raised a cathedral from its ashes and drew spacious plans for new London, writes Cicely Hamilton in a Home paper. Old Christopher wrought for a permanent beauty—for a lasting strength, to be handed down from one generation to another; his dreams were stubborn as well as glorious—the dreams of a man who could look along the centuries and labour for a far distant future.

Would such dreams be possible to a man of genius if he lived and worked at his builder's art in London as we know it to-day? Could he stand at Ludgate in the year 23, look ahead through the centuries, the coming generations, and say, "This, my work, shall endure?"

The answer, I fear me, must be firmly and distinctly in the negative.
For, with the progress of science—what use to deny it?—the architect's material, his once solid stone, has undergone a change for the worse; it is no longer solid, no longer permanent—it may crumble at the blast of explosive. Hence it is doubtful if we shall ever build again like the men of old time, with the proud conviction that our work will endure for our descendants.

PENALTY OF INVENTION.
The skill of the chemist and the conquest of the air may prove, on the whole, of advantage to the human race; but, like all achievements, they have to be paid for in suffering as well as in labour. Against their many and obvious benefits must be set the equally obvious fact that—unless we make an end of the argument by violence—the proudest tower and the stoutest walls are from henceforth at the mercy of the chemist and the warrior who strikes from the skies.

The building of the world were shaken invisibly when Wilbur Wright rose up into the air and flew; and, if destructive science achieves what is claimed for it, no modern artist in brick and stone may look forward with the certainty of Christopher Wren to a long-enduring life for his work.

A fit of collective bad temper and panic—an outburst of hatred that culminates in war—and the chiefest glories of a capital city may pass in a watch of the night.
Every artist holds his work in respect, and even reverence; he does not labour and give of his best when he knows it may be wantonly destroyed. Thus Wren alive to-day and looking round Europe, would hesitate to raise up a beauty in stone that science and bad temper might humble to the dust in an hour. He might ask—before setting his hand to the work—for the vanished security of the old Stuart days; for that prospect of endurance, of permanent strength of which civilised science has bereft us!

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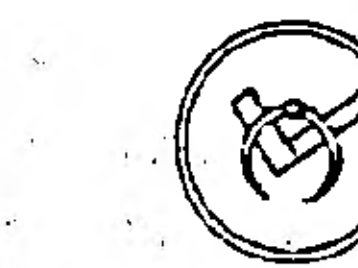
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TO LET.—Premises suitable for Office or godown in the central district. Apply Wan Hing, 10, Queen's Road.

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THURSDAY, 12th. APRIL.

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No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 16th. of April, 1923, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on the 16th. April, 1923, at 10 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 19th. of April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, 10th. April, 1923.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th. inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under- signed on or before the 26th. inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 16th. inst., at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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THE 21st. Annual Athletic Meeting of the Colony under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club will be held at the Hongkong Football Club Grounds on Saturday, the 21st. April commencing at Noon.

Entries close on the 14th. inst. at 6 p.m. Entry Forms can be had from the Secretaries of Clubs, or on application at the V. R. C.

NOTICE.

TO ALL IT MAY CONCERN

We the undersigned John D. Humphreys & Son of Alexandra Building, Des Voeux Road Central, hereby give notice that we have this day authorised Mr. John David Humphreys to sign our firm name per procuration

Dated this 4th day of April 1923.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the business of my firm has this day been sold to Mr. B. M. Castro and my interest and responsibility in the firm ceases as from to-day.

(Signed) P. A. XAVIER, Hongkong, 4th. April, 1923.

HAVING this day taken over the business of P. A. Xavier & Co., I hereby give notice that the said business will be carried on by me under the same style of P. A. XAVIER & CO.

(Signed) B. M. CASTRO, Hongkong, 4th. April, 1923.

CITY HALL.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM

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In consequence of the late arrival of the boat—the CONCERT advertised for the 11th. inst. has been postponed.

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TWO PIANO RECITALS

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong Tramway Company Limited will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company Limited, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 11th. day of April, 1923, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

By Order of the Board,

W. E. ROBERTS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th. February, 1923.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirty-fourth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Building, on Saturday, 21st. April 1923, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th. February 1923, and electing Directors and Auditor. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 14th to the 21st. April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

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Hongkong 4th. April 1923.

FOOTBALL

HONGKONG LEAGUE CLUB GROUND, HAPPY VALLEY.

SATURDAY, 14th. April, 1923.

Division II. Kick off 3.15 p.m.

King's v. The Rest (Winners)

Division I. Kick off 4.45 p.m.

King's v. H.M.S. Ambrose (Winners)

Admission to stand \$1.00.

Chairs 50 cents. Services in uniform, chairs 30 cents.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

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NOTICE.

THE first annual meeting will be held at the Peak Club on THURSDAY, 12th April, 1923, at 5.45 p.m.

A full attendance of all members and those interested is particularly requested.

E.B.C. HORNELL, Secretary.

PATRON FOR SCRIBES.

Rome.—The Pope in an encyclical has named St. Francis of Sales as patron saint of writers and journalists. St. Francis was born in 1567.

UNDEVELOPED DAIRYING COUNTRY.

In the last annual report of the Agricultural and Stock Department of Tasmania, it is pointed out that on the north coast of the Island State of Australia there are 500,000 acres of good dairy land; but only 50,000 cows are grazed in this area, and there is ample room for three times the number.

CHINESE STUDENTS' IN JAPAN.

Alleged Ill-Treatment.

Peking, April 9.—A reputation of 43 Chinese students, who arrived from Japan yesterday, saw President Li Yuan-hung this morning, when they protested against their alleged ill-treatment by the Japanese police during the recent demonstration concerning the abrogation of the 1915 Treaty.—Courtesy: "Daily Bulletin."

CUSTOMS SURPLUS.

Sir F. A. Aglen as Custodian.

Shanghai, April 9.—Sir F. A. Aglen, who sails this afternoon for home, speaking at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce yesterday, said that the customary appropriation from the salt revenue of \$14,000,000 and also \$6,000,000 from the Ministry of Communications for the consolidation of the sinking fund of internal loans since June, had ceased to be handed over, and therefore he had to sit tight on the Customs surplus, which at present was the only available item for consolidation.

"So long as I am custodian, I will be faithful to the trust placed in me by the Chinese people, but there is nothing to prevent a mandate being issued depriving me of this custodianship."

Sir F. A. Aglen said that in that case he would publish a comprehensive account of how he had handled the money, so as to make possible a regular payment of the interest. He emphasised that it was only due to pressure of public opinion that the custodianship of the funds in question had remained in his hands.—Courtesy "Daily Bulletin."

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THE Undersigned would be glad to receive in writing on or before the 20th. inst. suggestions from members of the general public in regard to—

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(4) The greater employment of labour-saving machines or devices.

(5) Improved methods for the transportation of building materials.

(6) Procuring an increased supply of skilled labourers.

(7) Reducing the number of middlemen.

(8) Other methods for reducing the cost of house construction.

Measures which should be taken by the Government for promoting any of the above objects.

Measures which should be taken by the Government

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Princes Buildings, 9th. April, 1923.

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ON MANNERS.

Are They Parlor Tricks?

Are you a victim of the superstition that manners are parlor tricks?

We argued it out at the club the other night, and I was surprised to find how few could see this question of manners in the right light—as a matter of character.

A man's manner simply means the way in which he acts. His usual mode of behaviour. We can say that a person has an earnest manner, a sincere manner or, on the contrary, we may remark a flippant or an artificial manner.

In the same way we talk of a person's manner of speech or manner of work. Or again, sometimes we are referring more specifically to his outward bearing or his manner of life in general.

We instinctively estimate the worth of a man from his manner. We recoil from the Urich Hepe and are attracted by the fellow who looks us in the face calmly.

In the presence of a person of decision of character we are to a certain extent spell-bound.

"Lips that can wait and eyes that do not wander" are the outward and visible signs of strength. They betoken the self-control on which character is built.

You can be a spell-binder if you wish. But remember that the motive of a man's life is seen in all his actions. Your view of the world, your inner nature will show itself in all you do. If these be right your manner will carry conviction.

If your outlook is honest, your manner cannot be unpleasing.

The man who is conscientious about his work will be conscientious in his relations with his fellow men, and his behaviour will never annoy them.

If you shoulder your share of the world's burden, by doing an honest day's work, you are entitled to the world's respect, and you need have no fear regarding your manner. They will be those of an industrious citizen.

Consideration for your fellows will prompt you to do the right thing at the right moment, no matter whether it be a case of lending a hand with a load or passing the salt at table—Geoffrey Rhodes in the Daily Chronicle.

MORE "SQUEEZE."

On the Canton River.

It has just been reported from Canton that the River Defence Commission, under the pretext of giving protection to river craft, has posted a gunboat near the Tei Mei (Macao) fort at the back reach of Honan, and is levying a tax of \$5 on each vessel, be it junk, lighter, passenger sampan or trading craft. It has been calculated that a goodly sum has gone into the pockets of the Commander, as a result.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The statement in court that it costs a woman £2,000 a year to be among the "best dressed" would have amazed some of the greatest ladies in the land a century ago. The late Lady Dorothy Nevill once declared that one of the greatest changes she had noted during her long life was the "vast increase in extravagance as regards ladies' dress," when she "came out" her father allowed her £45 a year for all personal expenses, including clothes. Even her mother spent only £300 a year on dress and personal expenses, and this "was then considered very ample even for the wife of a rich peer."

Rules of Competition.

1.—All forecasts must be written on coupons cut from "The Hongkong Telegraph." The name and address in the coupon to be plainly printed in block letters in ink.

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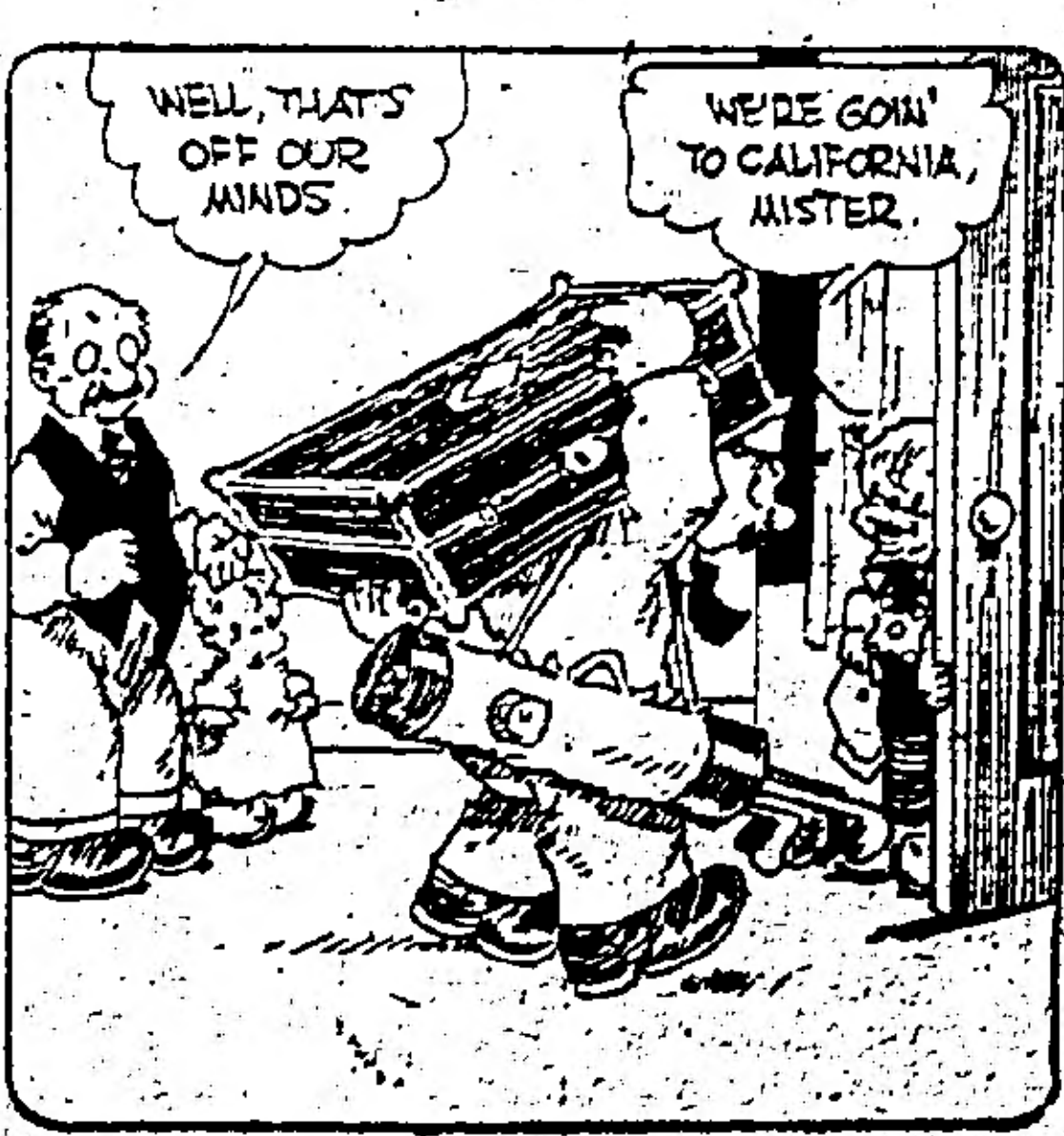
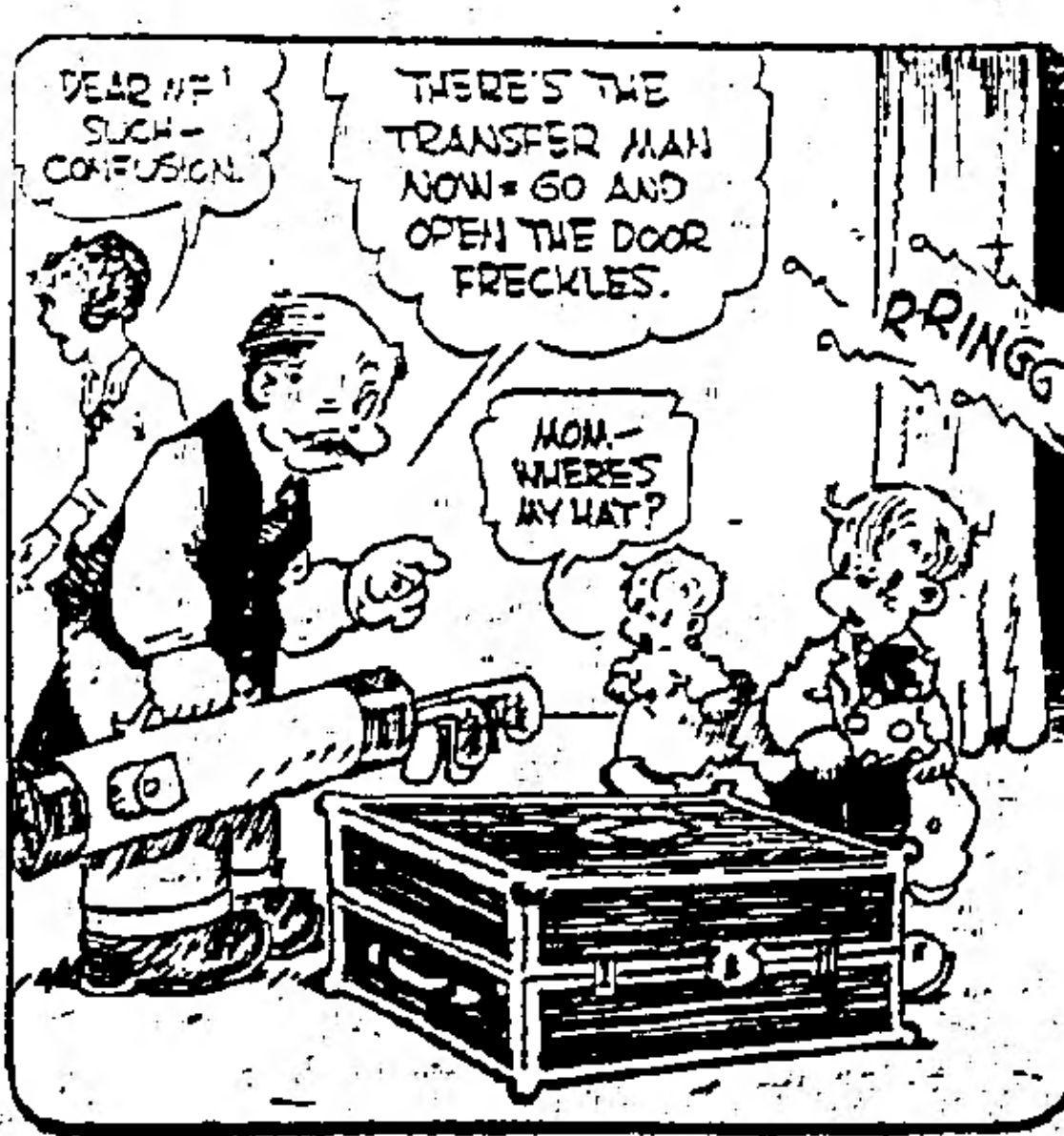
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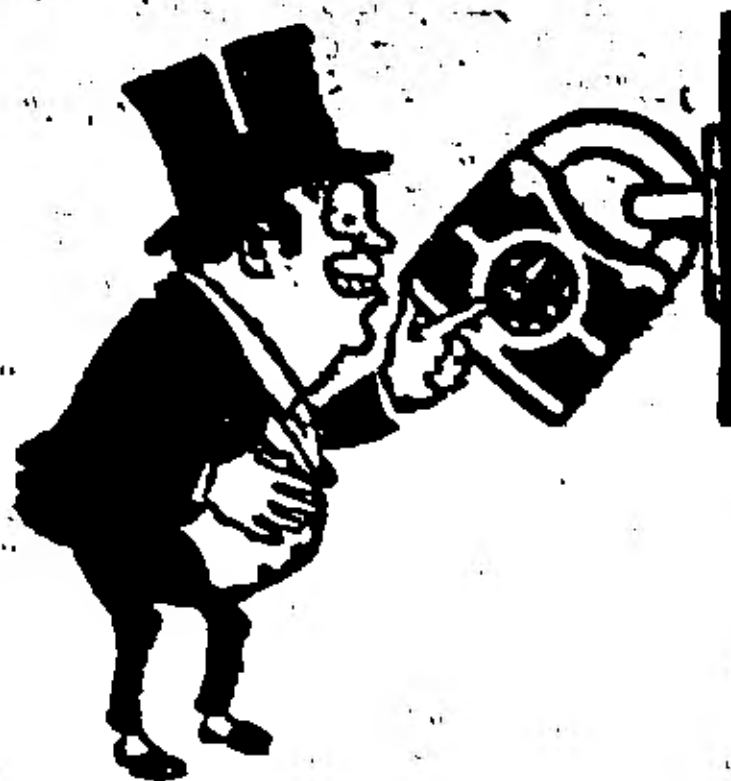
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STUDENT SILLINESS.

There is a feature of present-day political life in China that occurs forcibly to all observers—the student movement. Without desiring to condemn the rise and development of this political consciousness on the part of Chinese young men and young women, we cannot help condemning the lengths to which they go, and the exaggerated ideas they appear to have of their importance as a factor in their country's government. Using blunt language, we should not speak of the student "movement," but term it plainly student "interference." For several years past the scholars of the higher schools and colleges in China, men and women, or boys and girls, have been drawing attention to themselves by their foolish demonstrations and propaganda work in connection with a variety of matters, many of which have not concerned them directly, or in any way whatever. It is regrettable to think that this behaviour by China's students is an attempt to copy Western methods of progress. The literature of the West, with its references to "rag" school strikes, and so forth, may have sown the seeds of what we now observe in this Eastern land of paradoxes. Chiefly, it seems to us, the trouble lies in an inflated opinion of their importance held by the students, who probably consider themselves a class apart, inasmuch as they have more learning—or are acquiring more—than others of their nationals.

One can appreciate the desire of China's youth to see their country progress, and develop along constitutional lines; but their foolishness lies in the demonstrations, strikes, and processions, that they organise from time to time. They go on strike whenever something about their alma mater does not quite please them—it may be that one of the teachers is unpopular, most probably through holding contrary political beliefs. This is hardly more than foolishness, which one can contemplate with a tolerant smile. But when it comes actually to trying to dictate their country's foreign policy they are going altogether too far, and the matter becomes serious. It is one thing to approve boycotts, or whatever other form of retaliation against

another country is favoured, and to indicate one's opinion of political matters, with moderation, but there is a limit to everything. Presumably China's students have no faith in the abilities of the members of their country's Government, else they would hardly wish to tell these men what they should or should not do. We suggest that these students would be much better employed in continuing their studies, instead of wasting so much time on other subjects; and if their desire is to prove what ardent patriots they are, they can use their surplus energy when they reach the years of discretion in working to reorganise their Government and introduce the many reforms of which their country is in such crying need.

The Water Shortage.

Although at the moment certain districts in Hongkong are still permitted a full supply of water, the situation remains serious, and it is essential that wastage should be checked. There is a necessity to reduce consumption as far as possible, and in this connection we wish to emphasise to householders their responsibility in co-operating with the authorities to this end. Consumers will not have done their duty merely by telling their servants to be careful—housewives and others should make it their business personally to see that wastage is prevented. The rainfall for this year has been very far below average, as the relatively empty state of our reservoirs shows. The greater part of the Colony is on rations, and we still think that the restrictions should be applied to all districts, because, apart from waste, we do not like the idea of distinctions being shown in such a matter as this. Let all fare alike. If the situation becomes much more serious, the authorities might do worse than prohibit the use of water except for absolutely essential purposes; in which connection we again urge that no fresh water be used for laying the dust on our streets. In this way, the Government could show an excellent example to others, besides helping materially to conserve our supplies.

Peak Tramways.

The annual meeting of the Peak Residents' Association is to be held on Thursday, when the public should learn something of the activities of this body. This Association, unlike that at Kowloon, does not issue periodical statements to the Press, and it is therefore hiding its light somewhat under a bushel. At the annual meeting, however, we shall doubtless learn some facts concerning subjects it has had under consideration during the past twelve months. We hope to see references made to the urgent necessity of improving the present entirely inadequate means of transport to and from the upper levels. For longer than we care to remember, we have been told of the probability of the tramway service being improved and expanded, but nothing at all definite has been announced in this connection. The present service is altogether insufficient, but its improvement would obviously necessitate extensive alterations. Is there any prospect of these being carried out in the near future? Or is it the old, old question of waiting until the military lands question is finally settled? If so, we fear it will be many a long day before existing conditions are improved. We trust that this subject will be frankly dealt with at Thursday's meeting of the P.R.A. Would it not be possible, pending a full settlement of the military lands question, to negotiate for a sufficient transfer to permit of the tramway scheme being immediately improved?

THE V.R.C. SPORTS.

Three Open Events.

A most attractive programme has been arranged for the V.R.C. annual sports, which take place on the 21st. In fact, entries for which close on Saturday next at 6 p.m. There are no fewer than 35 events on the card. There are three events open to the Colony, these being one mile race, Marathon race and one mile ladies' bicycle race (handicap).

DAY BY DAY.

IF PEOPLE DO NOT USE THEIR BRAINS THEY WILL SOON HAVE NO BRAINS TO USE.—Sir J. J. TAUNTON.

The Canton A.D.C. is to produce "Clothes and the Woman" at the Canton Club Theatre on Saturday night.

It is stated that many firms in Amoy are suspending business because of unsettled conditions there. Canton exporters have been advised not to make further shipments.

A Canton correspondent informs us that all the gentry and educational bodies in the Nampoi district have called a joint meeting for to-day to protest against the sale of the Magistracy by the Municipality.

An unnumbered house at Kit Shek Mi was last night visited by armed robbers who stole property and money of the value of \$18 from the inmates, a man and his wife, whom they terrorized with daggers.

In connection with the visit of Admiral Gilly and the trade delegates aboard the French squadron, the French Consul and Madame Kremer are giving a dance at the Consulate on the night of the 16th instant.

Charged with snatching a fountain pen from Mr. D. Elliot's pocket in Queen's Road Central, a Chinese youth, pleading guilty, was sentenced by Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Police Court this morning to three months' hard labour.

Going up the stairs on a visit to the home of a friend at No. 28 Amoy Street last night, Fung Hi, a married woman, was assaulted by an unknown man who had followed her. Pepper was thrown in her eyes and a sum of \$126 was taken from her pocket.

They have now another scheme for the suppression of armed crimes in Kwangtung. The Civil Governor has suggested to the gentry and merchants that they should provide their own braves and watchmen, and that if arms were needed he would supply these on application.

Miss May Mukle, the noted cellist, and party are travelling to Hongkong by the s.s. Mentor and will not be here in time to give their recital, as arranged, tomorrow. The Anderson Music Co. have, however, provisionally booked the City Hall for the 17th instant for this concert.

A memorial church in honour of the late Rev. Henry V. Noyes, one of the early missionaries of the American Presbyterian Mission, is to be erected at Fat, Canton, to replace the chapel now being used by students of the school which he founded more than thirty years ago.

The local Manager of the Asia Banking Corporation (Mr. D. M. Biggar) is in receipt of advice from the head office, New York, advising that the United States Government has appointed the Corporation to act as a General Depository of public monies for the United States Government.

A dinner party organised by the Kwangsi militarists in Canton in order to clear away present misunderstandings with the Yunnan commanders was recently held, but neither of the chief generals was present, though both were represented. Friendly speeches were exchanged during the evening.

"The taipan indeed is very good" was a beggar's appreciation of Mr. R. E. Lindell's action at the Police Court this morning in making an order for the purchase of a hawk's licence for him out of the funds of the poor box. Sergeant Elston said that the man had been twenty years in the Colony and was nearly blind.

A conflict of views as to the allocation of their respective posts has caused a split between Li Lieh-kwan, one of Dr. Sun's generals, and his Commander-in-Chief, Hsu Sung-chi. Li is under suspicion of having come to an understanding with Chan King-ming, so when he asked that the lines of communication from Swatow to Canton be turned over to him, Hsu refused. The situation has become tense in consequence.

KOWLOON HOSPITAL.

Nucleus for a Bigger Institution.

BUILDING COMMENCED.

Construction work on the new hospital at Kowloon was commenced recently, and the building as at present planned is expected to be completed within eighteen months. It will meet a long-felt want.

A representative of the Telegraph, who called at the P.W.D. offices this morning, was enabled to inspect the plans of the new hospital and obtain further details of the scheme. The intention is to have only comparatively limited accommodation for the present, but a thoroughly up-to-date administration section, the object being to enable the hospital buildings to be extended when necessary, in the future, without requiring reorganisation of the executive portion. Thus, whilst the wards will be of a limited number in this building, the utmost work is being put into the other sections, so that Kowloon's new hospital will form the nucleus for a much larger institution in the future.

The plan throughout is to have the most modern system of hospital accommodation and sanitation. The main block is to contain sixteen first-class wards each with its own lavatory, on the first floor. The ground floor will be arranged as an out-patients' department, where up to five hundred persons a day can be treated.

The suite containing the operating theatre, and so forth, is designed on the most up-to-date lines, and will meet the requirements of any future extension of accommodation. Provision for an electric lift, to be fitted at a future date, is included in the plans.

The wards for Chinese are in a separate block, and will accommodate fourteen men and fourteen women. Here, too, everything is to be of a modern style, with the latest apparatus, kitchen, and other requirements, medical, surgical and sanitary.

The sisters' quarters, for European and Chinese nurses (the latter to be trained locally) are in another block. Eight bedrooms are provided, as well as a matron's flat, a large dining room, a drawing room, and a study.

A doctor's house, containing five rooms, is also being erected, and other buildings will include coolies' quarters, a laundry, and a mortuary, with an entrance lodge at the main gateway.

Provision is being made for tennis courts, and there is, most important of all, a large reservation of land held in perpetuity, which will provide open spaces with plenty of fresh air and sunlight, so essential to a patient's proper recovery.

The site is a convenient one, being on the new road from Mongkok to Kowloon City. New roadways skirting the hospital grounds are under construction. It might be mentioned here that the new block of the Victoria Hospital, on Barker Road, is likely to be completed by the autumn of this year. Eventually the Colony will have hospital accommodation comparable with the best in the East.

OBITUARY.

Capt. R. Y. Anderson.

The many friends of the late Captain R. Y. Anderson will no doubt be interested to hear that particulars have now been received by mail from Home regarding the death of this well-known and respected Captain who only recently left the Service of the Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd., on retirement after serving with that Company for 33 years. Captain Anderson passed away very suddenly at his residence in Home Bay after a brief heart attack at 3 a.m. on the 21st. February last, having previously enjoyed good health. The funeral took place on Saturday, the 24th. February, and was attended, in addition to his relatives, by brother Masters at Home, and representatives of the Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd., who placed wreaths on the grave on behalf of the Directors, General Managers and Floating staff of the Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.

Captain R. Y. Anderson leaves a widow and three children, for whom much sympathy is felt by a large number of friends on the China Coast.

OUR WATER SUPPLY.

Further Restrictions Next Saturday.

We learn on enquiry this morning that the recent restriction in the Kowloon water supply has resulted in an average fall in the consumption of about twenty per cent. The reading yesterday gave the water in store there as 103 million gallons. With the full restriction contemplated, even without rain, this would last until the end of June. That would be taking the worst into account, for it is obvious that we are likely to have plenty of rain before then. Were there to be heavy rains during the next few weeks, these water restrictions would hardly be necessary, but the authorities are preparing—as they must do as a matter of public welfare—for any eventualities.

A representative of the Telegraph was informed this morning that further restrictions are planned for next Saturday, both in Hongkong and in Kowloon. In Hongkong part of the economy will be directed towards restrictions in connection with the street fountains, and so forth. In Kowloon, the hours will be further restricted. In this case, it might be pointed out that the present nine hours' supply is hardly restriction, strictly speaking. The people have been "on their honour" to economise, so to speak.

Notices have been sent to Peak householders by the authority concerned, urging the necessity for a greatly reduced consumption of water for all purposes, and requesting co-operation in reducing consumption to a minimum.

Our representative, on enquiry, was informed that only nullah water is used in Hongkong for watering the streets, so that the supplies in the reservoirs are not affected.

TENNIS LEAGUE.

Big Entry This Year.

There is a big entry in the Hongkong Tennis League this year, there being no fewer than eight teams in the "A" Division and eleven in the "B" Class. The Japanese are not represented, because they have no ground, whilst the Police are also without an entry, due to the fact that their courts are undergoing repair. In the "B" Division, a new team makes its appearance—namely, the Netherlands T.C., which has a ground near the Observatory at Kowloon.

The Kowloon Cricket Club has no fewer than three teams in the League—one in the "A" Division and two in the "B" section, in which also Craigengower have two teams. Several Clubs have one team in each Division.

The Indian Recreation Club won the League last year, but they will have to go all the way this season to retain the trophy, as the U.S.R.C. are particularly strong. The season is to commence on April 21st, when the following matches will be played:

"A" Division:—Civil Service v. Chinese R.C., Indian R.C. v. Club de Recreo; Kowloon C.C. v. University; United Services v. Hongkong C.C.

"B" Division:—Chinese R.C. v. Craigengower (A), Club de Recreo v. University; Kowloon (A) v. Craigengower (B), Indian R.C. v. Kowloon (B), Queen's College v. Civil Service.

WINDERS BACK.

Recommended Work To-day.

The winders employed by the Hongkong Electric Company, who "downed tools" as a result of the inauguration of a "clocking in and out" scheme, recommended work this morning. A Telegraph representative was informed.

It is stated that the manager of the Company gave his assurance to the chairman of the Chinese Engineers' Institute that under no circumstances would the men have theiriffin hour reduced, and in order to eliminate delay the Company were ordering two more "clocking" machines.

This interview was announced to the men at a crowded meeting, held at the premises of the Engineers' Institute at Connaught Road Central last night. The chairman persuaded the men to work, and the trouble is now over.

PIANO RECITAL.

Professor Sklarevski's Brilliant Work.

Plato playing of superlative merit was heard at the City Hall last evening, when Professor Sklarevski, the noted Russian pianist, gave the first of two recitals to a most appreciative audience. The programme offered was one of wide variety, demonstrating the wonderful versatility of this genius of the piano.

The opening numbers were Grand Fantasia and Orgel Guga (Bach-Liszt), in which the pianist displayed his complete mastery of the instrument and which he interpreted with great depth of understanding. Then came two charming compositions by Scarlatti—Pastorale and Capriccio, which were beautifully rendered. In these, Professor Sklarevski negotiated the intricacies of the pieces with a touch of amazing softness and with a technique which was perfect. For close on half an hour, the pianist was then engaged on a group of twelve Chopin Etudes—a stupendous task. This is the first time we have ever heard the whole of these given at one sitting, and their interpretation was a tribute to the earnestness with which Professor Sklarevski has studied the great master. He gave a new meaning to these beautiful compositions and was loudly encored for his really astounding work.

Following a Nocturne and Mazurka by Tchaikowsky, both brilliantly played, came Arensky's Prelude, and then two very pretty little numbers by Liszt—the Musical Snuff Box and Waltz, rendered with delightful delicacy. The true poetic touch was manifested in Debussy's Evening in Grenade, and as a final item the pianist gave arabesques on Strauss' popular Blue Danube Waltz (Schulz-Evler), one of the most difficult pieces ever written for the piano. This was a masterpiece, and so delighted were the audience that the pianist was compelled to give a double encore. In all his work, Professor Sklarevski showed himself a thoughtful musician of great talent, and it is hoped that for this evening's recital there will be a crowded audience. Seldom has Hongkong the opportunity of hearing such a musical genius.

"UNDER TWO FLAGS."

A Fine Production.

The dynamic personality of Priscilla Dean has been given such forceful expression on the screen as in "Under Two Flags," the Universal-Jewel production of Ouida's famous novel, which comes to the World Theatre tomorrow. The spirited girl, Cigarette, idol of a French regiment at Algiers, is the type Miss Dean portrays so well.

The excitement with which the film abounds was felt by every member of the huge company at Universal City participating in the production of this classic of the screen. They all lived in the atmosphere of Algeria, where the action of the story takes place.

A portion of the town of Algiers, with a faithful reproduction of the French barracks there, was built at the big studio. Members of the cast lived "in character" for several months. Miss Dean herself became so accustomed to the costumes of the play that it was difficult for her to readjust herself to habits of normal life when not actually working before the camera.

Several companies of French soldiers properly uniformed and armed, were recruited by Ted Browning, the director, for use in various scenes. The harem of an Arab chief was reproduced in all the splendour that is a savage potentate's. Every reel of the film teems with colour and dramatic action.

A PUZZLE A DAY.

An inch-worm attempted to climb a tree trunk 30 feet high. After climbing three feet in an hour, it slipped back two feet. How many hours would it take the inch-worm to climb the trunk? Yesterday's answer:

Within the convent's cloisters drear
Grow beds of tall chrysanthemum;
And there, at night, we pause to hear
The choir its saintly anthem hum.

The last of the above stanza makes a suitable rhyme for "chrysanthemum."

SOUTH CHINA POLITICS.

Some Reports from Canton.

The following items are from the Canton Daily News:—
The vernacular press is full of reports of the movements of the leading militarists aiming to share in the riches of Kwangtung by controlling the whole or a part of this province.

General Chan King-ming, according to a local news agency report, is organising an office in Hongkong with Kim Chang, a former mayor of Canton, as director of finance. It is charged that he is trying to raise funds by asking former officials under General Chan to contribute liberally.

General Luk Wing-ting, one time the foremost militarist in Kwangtung and Kwangsi, according to the local press, is considering the return to Dr. Sun Yat-sen's constitutional movement. Luk is desirous of doing this because of his having been cut out by Peking altogether in its distribution of appointments.

Yang Yung-tai, a former civil governor of Kwangtung, says a local report, is bringing a big sum of money back to Hongkong for political activities in Canton. Ex-Governor Yang is a leader of the Chenghsuehshui Political Party, one time a political factor in Canton.

General Li Fuh-lin, now commanding the troops in Honam, is enlarging his strength by adding more men to his army, according to the Sun Kuo Wah Pao.

Tao Yi-ping, commander of a Cantonese force in Waichow, is visiting Canton. He reports that all troops in Waichow are loyal to Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Since the condition of affairs in Canton is being gradually restored to its normal state Dr. Sun Yat-sen and the local authorities have recently wired to Shanghai requesting the important personages of the Kuomintang Party to return to Canton so as to give assistance in the present reconstruction work. It is now reported that Wu Hsiang-shan, former Kwangtung Governor, and Wang Ching-wai, the noted scholar, left Shanghai on April 4 for Canton.

As General Chang Tso-lin, Commander-in-Chief of the Three Eastern Provinces, is in favour of Dr. Sun's policy of reunifying the North and South through the disbandment of troops, besides issuing several telegrams supporting the same, he has recently dispatched Chow Mong-lin to come to the South to represent him in conferring with the southern leaders with regard to the matter. It is now reported that Chow Mong-lin has arrived in Swatow. After his arrival in Swatow on April 3 he invited the local authorities there to an entertainment. It is further stated that at this entertainment, he expressed his views with regard to the military affairs of the Southwestern provinces.

FILIPINO STOWAWAYS.

Seven Found Aboard "President Pierce."

Seven Filipino stowaways, aboard the President Pierce, were handed over to the Water Police yesterday on the arrival of the steamer from Manila.

At the Police Court, this morning, it was stated by Inspector Spear that they were successful in escaping attention during the first search, but, with the discovery of one of them under a filter by the steerage steward, a more thorough search was made, with the result that one after the other the defendants were all brought out from their hiding places.

Sentence of one month's hard labour was the punishment meted out to each of the defendants.

PUBLIC EXECUTIONS.

In the Streets of Canton.

In order to cope with frequent armed robberies, the authorities in Canton are causing those caught to be publicly executed. A paper to hand records that seven were shot on the 4th instant and six on Saturday last. There is nothing to indicate that these men underwent any public trial.

The Canton Daily News, while stating that the summary execution of highway robbers when caught may lessen crime in the city, states that the executions should not take place in the streets, in the presence of the public, as has been done during the past few weeks.

THE CANTON LAND SALE.

General Chan King-ming Blamed.

Much has been talked about the sale of public lands by the government of Canton recently, especially the sale of the Agricultural Experiment Station. The Canton Daily News says it has definitely learned that the sale of the Station was not initiated by the present administration as the lands of the Station had already been pledged for a loan of some 400 thousand dollars by the former administration under General Chan King-ming, and the present administration only concluded the business transaction almost under obligation. While regrets are generally expressed by the officials of the sale of this valuable property the action was taken in face of urgent necessity for relief of the military strained situation. The transaction, as reported, was effected by the Provincial Bureau of Finance.

Other Property Sold.

Reproaches continue to flow into the Mayor's office at Canton in regard to the sale of public property, which includes the Grand Buddhist Temple, the old Tatar General's yamen, the Nambai Magistracy etc. In reply, Sun Fo has pathetically pointed to the empty vaults of the Treasury. The necessity of raising the wind is urgent, he said, and he could not see how sentiment could be allowed to enter into the discussion when it has been clearly demonstrated, as in the case of France, that even precious monuments had to be sacrificed to national and public needs. Apparently those who initiated this controversy have not been persuaded to this viewpoint, for letters are still pouring in adding considerably to the worries of Mayor Sun.

SHAMEEN PROPERTY SALE.

B.A.T. Building Again Changes Hands.

The B.A.T. buildings on the Shameen, Canton, recently purchased by the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., have now been acquired from the latter Company by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. This, however, does not imply that the Company's project of building a hotel on the Shameen has been abandoned. On the contrary, we learn on enquiry that the scheme is to go through. The B.A.T. building has been sold because it was found insufficiently large for the purpose, and another and bigger site is being secured.

The Canton Daily News states that the premises at present occupied by Messrs. Gerin, Drevard & Company, the International Banking Corporation, John Manners & Company and Blackhead & Company's old hong, have been sold to a Hongkong Company for £63,000.

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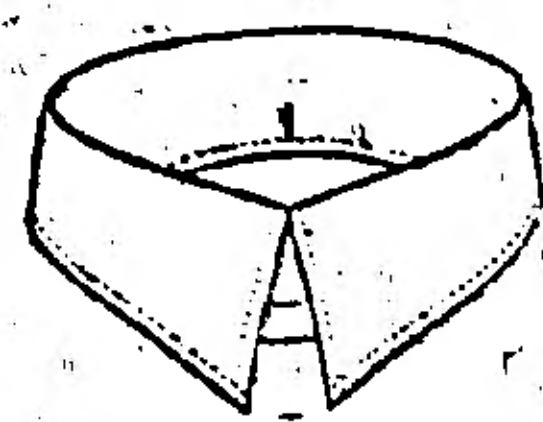
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Here are shown the remains of the Dublin home of Mr. Carrigan, Free State solicitor, after it had been bombed by rebels. A dressing gown which Mr. Carrigan holds in his hand, was the only garment found intact.



This photo of the baby of Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles, was taken as the young man received his morning drive. It shows him with his nurse being driven back to Chesterfield House, the London home of Princess Mary and her husband.



Lord Curzon, who will again be conferring with the Turks shortly.



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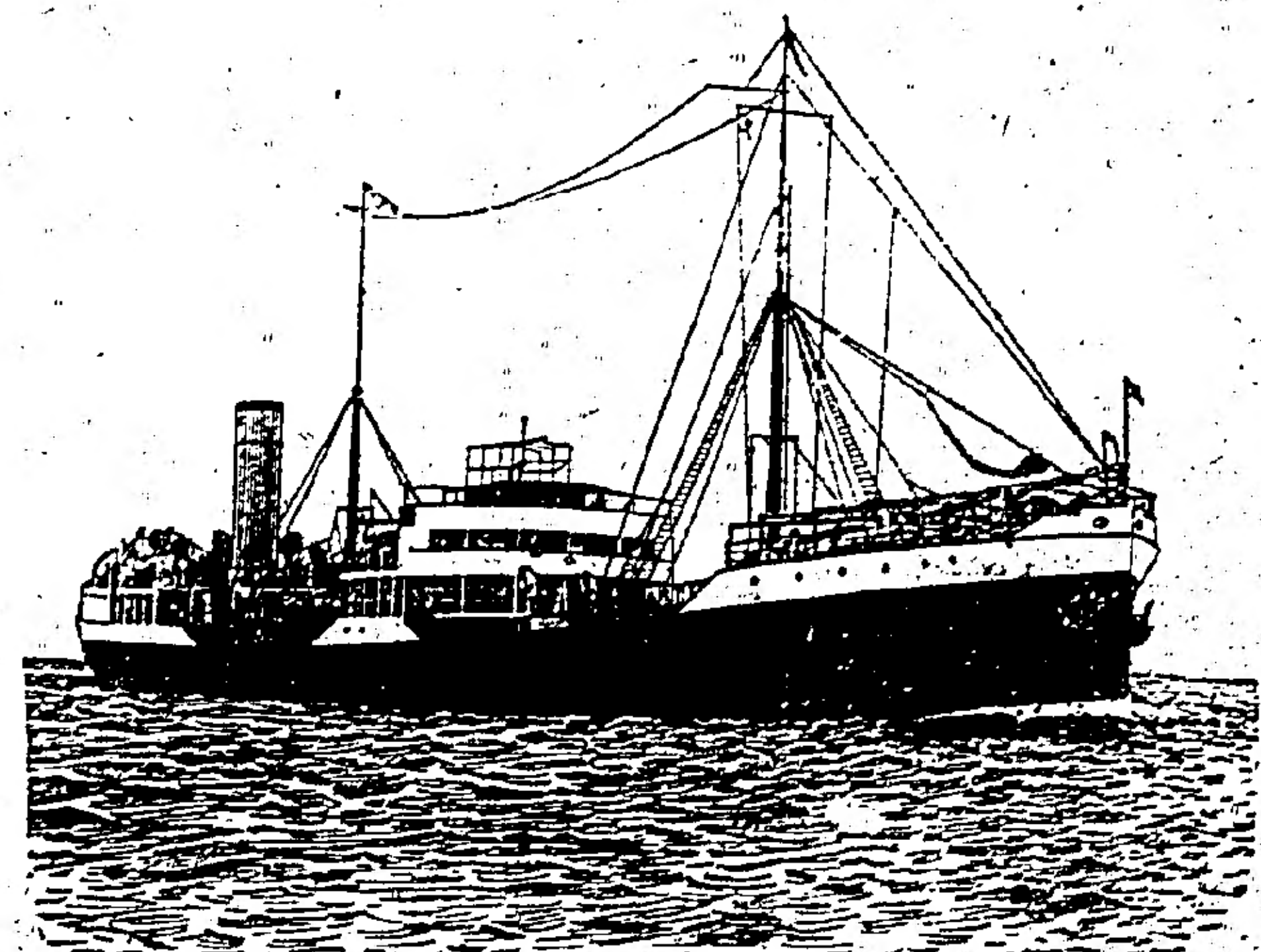
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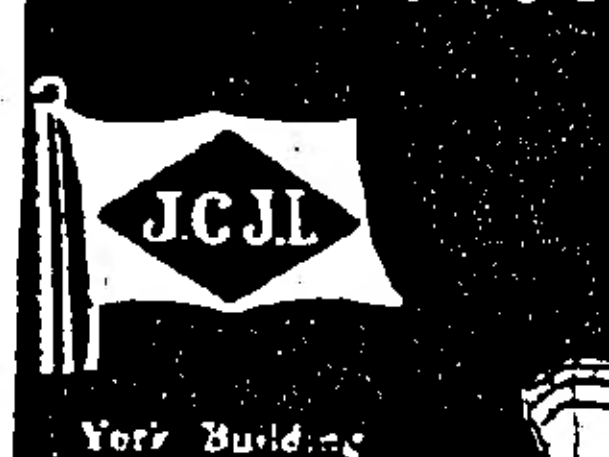
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IYO MARU	—	—	19th May.
MARSHILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	—	—	via Singapore, etc.
FUSHIMI MARU	—	—	Wednesday, 11th Apr. at 11 a.m.
MISHIMA MARU	—	—	Wednesday, 25th Apr.
HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.	—	—	—
MATSUMOTO MARU	—	—	Sunday, 15th April.
TAJIMA MARU	—	—	1st half May.
LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.	—	—	—
TOYONASHI MARU	—	—	1st half May.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, etc.	—	—	—
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TAMBA MARU ... Tuesday, 10th April.
SADO MARU ... Friday, 27th April.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
AKI MARU ... Thursday, 12th Apr.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
TATEISHI MARU ... Wednesday, 11th Apr.
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SHANGHAI via Swatow Tungshing	Thurs. 12th Apr. at noon.	
STRAITS & Calcutta.....Fooksang	Thurs. 12th Apr. at 3 p.m.	
HAIPHONG via Hoihow Mingsang	Fri. 13th Apr. at 10 a.m.	
TIENTSIEN.....Chipsing	Fri. 13th Apr. at noon.	
MANILA.....Loongsang	Fri. 13th Apr. at 3 p.m.	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Wosang	Sun. 15th Apr. at 10 a.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta.....Lalsang	Tues. 17th Apr. at 3 p.m.	
KOBE via Shanghai.....Namsang	Thurs. 19th Apr. at noon.	
SANDAKAN.....Hinsang	Fri. 20th Apr. at 2 p.m.	
BANGKOK via Hoihow Chunsang	Sat. 21st Apr. at 10 a.m.	
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AS OTHERS SEE US.

The Tyrant of the Mediterranean.

If English people were more interested in foreign criticism there is ample material in the Nationalist and Fascist Press to furnish them with a complete picture of a very crafty, grasping, and successful John Bull, writes the Rome correspondent of the Observer. The portrait has been painted with the same colours ever since the Armistice, and renewed with a few vivid touches as occasion demanded. While at Fiume, D'Annunzio summed up our character, as he interpreted it for the Italian people, in a phrase which evidently pleased Mussolini in old days, for he used to quote it in his speeches. We were "the nation of the five meals." It was an alarming thought to both the poet-soldier and the Fascist leader that no chunk of the terrestrial world seemed safe from our jaws. Now, confronted with stern realities as Minister of Foreign Affairs, as well as Prime Minister, Mussolini has dropped his open campaign against the offending British Empire like an old-fashioned coat; but to what end he allows a submissive Press to continue letting off steam against England every few days only the future can show.

The fundamental basis of Italian foreign policy is peace. "No other policy is consistent with her present circumstances and with the needs and interests of her people," Mussolini said in his wise and measured speech to the Senate only a week ago. His treatment of the Adriatic question showed both vision and statesmanship; he would not allow himself to be mesmerised by the Adriatic Sea. But in realising that the Adriatic is by no means the sole pivot of Italian interests, he opens out fresh vistas for Italian enterprise. The following phrase from his last speech on foreign policy, with its original metaphor, has been much quoted and commented on in the Press:—

One must have the courage to say that Italy cannot remain nailed for ever in one sea, even if it be the Adriatic; there is the Mediterranean, and there are other seas which may interest us.

ENGLAND AN OBSTACLE.

This has given the Nationalist Press food for reflection, and their official organ, "L'Idée Nationale," publishes a "leading article by a naval authority," who thinks that it is of the greatest importance that Italy should become a strong sea-power. As usual, England obstructs the way. He surveys our lurid past to show how we have always played for our own hand with a callous disregard for the welfare of others, and is gloomy about our moral improvement.

The gist of his articles is that England supports Greece against Italy just as she helped Italy during the Risorgimento, as a counterfoil to France. "Lloyd George unsuccessfully attempted the Greek march on Constantinople with his disconcerting policy. Bonar Law will succeed with English sliminess." The writer thinks that the ultimatum given to Turkey during the comedy of Lausanne was intended to provoke a refusal because we are as anxious to remain at Chankas as the Greeks were in the Trojan war. No one, he continues, is able to prevent England from inviting Greece to co-operate and open up the road to Constantinople. Italy's "word counts for very little in the matter, and he asks whether Italy is always to be kept in a condition in the Mediterranean.

Judged by precedents, as seen by "the naval expert" little can be hoped for from a country which "has pushed France into Tunis, corroded Italian nationality in Malta, paralysed Italian influence in the Adriatic, and obstructed the development of our submarine forces which would enable us to rule in the Mediterranean—the sea now known as Mare nostrum, and now a British lake."

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WEATHER REPORT.

April 10d. 11h. 25m.—Pressure is highest from the Bonins to S. W. Japan. It has increased considerably over N. E. Japan and moderately over central Japan. It has decreased considerably over the lower Yangtze Valley and moderately to slightly elsewhere.

A depression has formed over the lower Yangtze Valley. Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day. 0.13 inch. Total since January 1st 1.59 inches, against an average of 7.55 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.
1 Formosa Channel. E. or variable winds, moderate; fine at first, some rain later; fog in morning.
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamcocks. same as 1.
3 Hongkong. to Gap Road. same as 1.
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(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 1.)

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T/T Shanghai	Nom.	Demand, New York	53 1/2
T/T Singapore	98	T/T Bombay	171
T/T Japan	110 1/2	Demand, Bombay	171
T/T India	117 1/2	T/T Calcutta	171
Demand India	117 1/2	Demand, Calcutta	171
T/T San Francisco and New York	53 1/2	On Yokohama	110 1/2
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T/T Manila	Nom.	Demand, Singapore	98
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4 m/s. D/P.	2/4 9/16	Forward	32.1/16
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Straits	Kitano M.	10th "
Shanghai	Xingchow	11th "
Japan & Shanghai	China	11th "
Australia & Manila	Aki M.	11th "
Canada, U.S.A. Japan & Shanghai	Empress of Russia	12th "
Australia & Manila	St. Albans	12th "
Shanghai	Torilla	12th "
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers).	Mentor	13th "
London 15th March	Pres. Jackson	14th "
Manila	...	14th "
Straits	...	14th "

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Due
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Taiwa M.	Wed., 11 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Durban/Khodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Fushimi M.	Wed. 11 inst. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 12th May.)
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco	Pres. Pierce	Thurs. 10th inst. 5 p.m. Wed., 11 inst. Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m. (Due S. Francisco 2nd May.)
Shanghai	Kitano M.	Wed., 11 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Takao	Sanku M.	Thurs., 12 inst. 8 a.m.
Japan	Aki M.	Thurs., 12 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Swatow	Gunning	Thurs., 12 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	Footsag	Thurs., 12 inst. 1 p.m.
Swatow	Hydraag	Thurs., 12 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Weihaiwei	Kasen	Fri., 13 inst. 10.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Olson	Fri., 13 inst. 11.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haiching	Fri., 13 inst. noon.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco	Shanku M.	Wed., 14 inst. 5 p.m. (Due San Francisco 14th May.)
Swatow, Amoy & Takao	Sanku M.	Thurs., 15 inst. 8 a.m.
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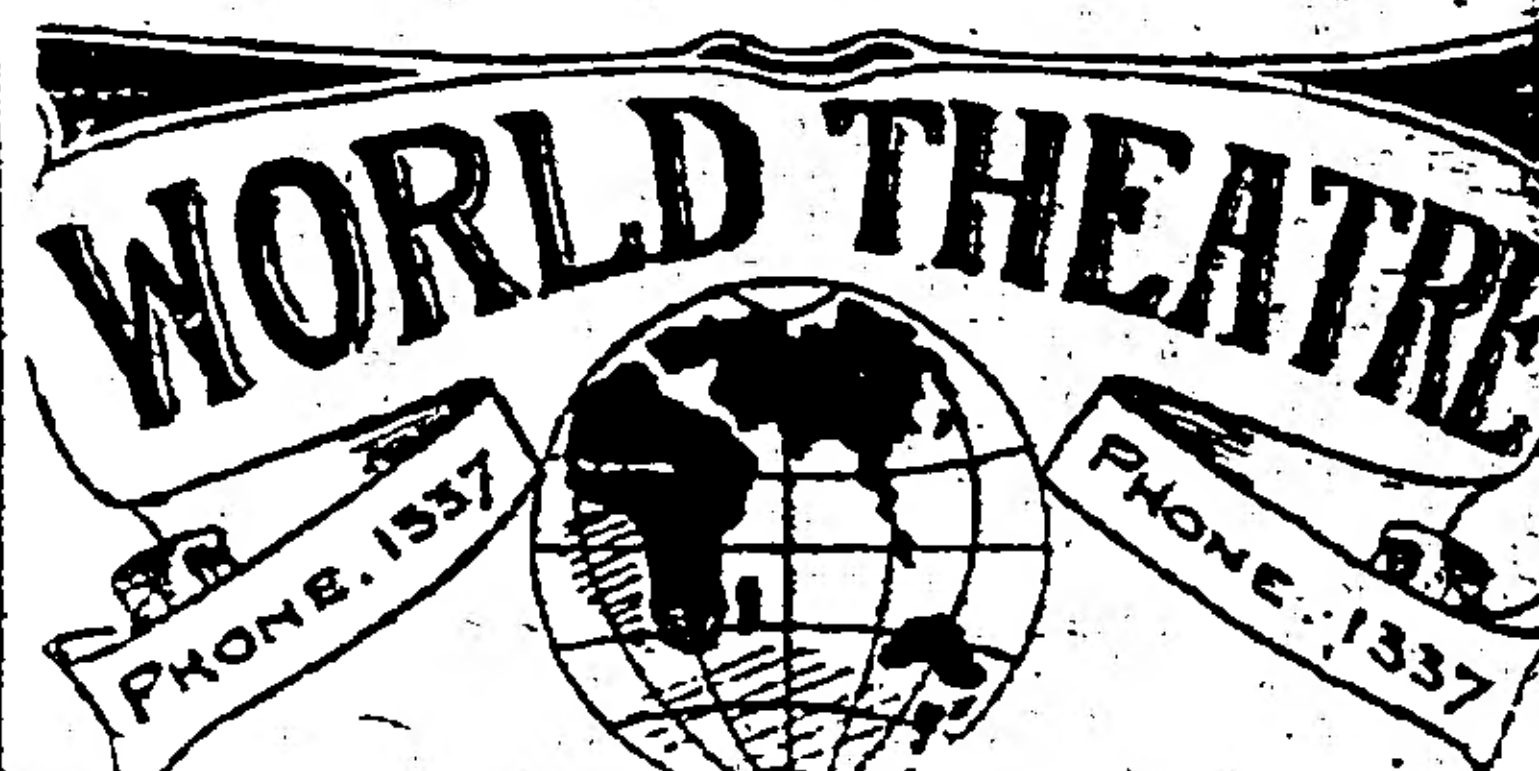
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A GREAT CURSE.

Opium And Morphia Problems.

The March number of *China's Millions* regrets that, in addition to the recrudescence of poppy cultivation in China, there is also an unwarrantably large manufacture of opium derivatives in Great Britain. It understands on the best authority that firms in England are still manufacturing annually from twenty to thirty tons of morphine for foreign consumption, and in spite of the new system which demands certificates or permits before opium derivatives can be imported we learn that in three months there were seized at Shanghai no less than 3,450 oz. of heroin manufactured by one company in London.

Sir William Collins, who was the British representative at the International Opium Convention at The Hague in 1911-1912, has recently been making several inquiries as to what the world needs for medicinal purposes of these dangerous drugs. Some

years ago he ascertained that at a particular London hospital, treating some 138 patients annually, the consumption of opium in the year was less than 13 lb., and of morphia less than 5 oz. More recently he has ascertained that at ten large London hospitals which treated more than 20,000 inpatients and more than 550,000 outpatients in the year 1921 the total amount of opium used in that year was less than 42 lb. of morphia less than 5 lb. and of cocaine a little over 9 lb. It is exceedingly difficult to get at the actual facts in regard to this curse. A British White Paper recently announced that the British export of morphine to Japan had been reduced to 1,822 lb. in 1917, and less than 1 lb. in 1920. The Advisory Committee of the League of Nations at Geneva, however, found serious discrepancies between the export of drugs from Great Britain to Japan, as shown in the British returns, and the import to Japan from Great Britain as shown in the Japanese